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ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to refer to my progress report to the Security Council on the situation in Somalia (S/25168), in which I discussed, inter alia, the transition from the operations of the Unified Task Force (UNITAF) to the United Nations Operations in Somalia (UNOSOM II) (paras. 16 and 17).

I stated in this connection that a new Force Commander would be appointed shortly so that he could participate effectively in the planning for the transition as well as the transfer of the operation from UNITAF to UNOSOM II.

I should like to inform the Security Council that, with its approval, I intend to appoint Lieutenant-General Çevik Bir of Turkey as Force Commander of UNOSOM II.

I should be grateful if you would bring this matter to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(Signed) Boutros BOUTROS-GHALI

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